

## MISSING ON THE DAY OF GREAT REALIZATION.

 If HEN the League of Nations formally and officially en HA delegation was present. Having failed to accept the e had no right to representation.hose president more than anyone else dominated the and herence and influenced the adoption of the league plan fo Kussia and Turkey,
The solid ground of political and social relations we will cee on解
In these words were the noble purposes of the League of Na-
tions set forth by the Frenchman who was chosen as president Those sentiments express the feelings of the American people in fact we gave the world this great vision. Its possibilities of realization were made good by the valor and strength with Which our armies fought upon the western front. They broke idealism to illuminate a continent long darkened by the night of Frightfulness. The ceremony at Paris yesterday was an occasion at which the
world expected Americans to play the leading role. We had earned the right to such leadership and had the prestige to com-
But our flag was not there because the senate after many was proclaimed and provision made for accomplishment of better things in the future.
America was humiliated yesterday because Henry Cabot
Lodge and his followers were moved more by provincialism, per 1.odge and his followers were moved more by provincialism, per-
sonal pique and partisanship than by the truly great matters involved and which called for the treaty's acceptance. Instead o ratifying the treaty they sought to mangle it under false claim
that they were Americanizing a pact that in its important feathat they were Americanizing a pact that in its important fea-
tores is itself the essence of Americanism and puts the spirit of our republic uppermost throughout the w

## IT WOULD PROVE THE POINT

(1) HERE is a bill in the legislature to provide for straight party tiekets at elections in lieu of the Australian ballot system long in use in Oregon.
The purpose of course is to promote the "vot'er straight"
and to discourage minority candidates from running for ofice. But good candidates are too scarce already. It is a hard they belong to. Why further reduce the supply? As to straight narty voting, people who can read already have that privilege if If the gentleme.
If the gentlemen at Salem want to prove that new blood is
needed in the political life of Oregon they can do measure such as the one referred they abon do so by passin
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